



PATENT APPLICATION #8

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Appln. No.: 09/438,759

Group Art Unit: 3763

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Examiner: Lam, Ann Y

For: CONTINUOUSLY CONDUCTIVE UNIPOLAR CANNULA FOR ANESTHESIA

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AMENDMENT A

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001, the period for response being extended to May 6, 2002 (May 4, 2002 falling on a Saturday) by a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS (Clean Version)

Please replace claims 1-11 with the following:

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12. A continuously conductive unipolar cannula for anesthesia, comprising:

an electrically conductive cannula tube (10) including a proximal end and a distal end, the distal end including a tip (14) and an exit opening (12, 44) in the area of the tip (14) dimensioned for passage of a catheter,

a body part (18) provided at the proximal end of the cannula tube (10), the body part (18) including an inlet opening (32, 34) axially aligned with the cannula tube (10)